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SUBJECT: 30TH UNGA - ANTI-ZIONISM RESOLUTION

REF: STATE 259569; USUN 5641; USUN 5736

1. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR DA RIN MADE DEMARCHE ON BEHALF OF EC-9 OT FOREIGN SECRETARY ABELA ON NOVEMBER 5. DA RIN STRESSED TO ABELA THAT EVEN DEFERRAL OF THE RESOLUTION WOULD BE HELPFUL. GERMAN AMBASSADOR FOLLOWED UP WITH SIMILAR DEMARCHE ON NOVEMBER 6. BRITISH AND FRENCH ARE NOT MAKING SUPPORTIVE EFFORTS ON THIS SUBJECT WITH MALTESE.

2. DA RIN TOLD ME HE FOUND ABELA RIGID AND UNYIELDING. ABELA SAID MALTA'S POSITION WAS IN LINE WITH NON-ALIGNED GROUP AND WHILE HE WOULD INFORM MINTOFF OF EC9'S DEMARCHE, HE DID NOT ANTICIPATE ANY CHANGE IN MALTA'S POSITION.

E. MALTA'S RECENT VOTING RECORD IN THE UN AGAINST ISRAEL HAS PROVOKED CRITICISM FROM THE OPPOSITION  
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NATIONALIST PARTY, AS WELL AS FROM ANTI-MINTOFFIAN

ELEMENTS OF THE MALTESE PRESS. IN RESPONSE TO A NATIONALIST QUESTION IN PARLIAMENT CONCERNING MALTA'S POSITION ON THE PROPOSED EXPULSION OF ISRAEL FROM THE UN, MINTOFF CONTEMPTUOUSLY REPLIED THAT MALTA'S POLICY HAD BEEN AND WOULD BE GUIDED BY THE RESOLUTION APPROVED AT THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE HELD IN LIMA IN AUGUST. MINTOFF'S RESPONSE RESULTED IN STRONG EDITORIALS IN TWO CONSERVATIVE NEWSPAPERS, BOTH OF WHICH CAUSTICALLY POINTED OUT THAT IF MLATA FOLLOWS THE ANTI-ISRAELI DICTATES OF THE SO-CALLED NON-ALIGNED GROUP ON THIS QUESTION, THEN MINTOFF'S STATED DESIRE TO BE A "NEUTRAL" MEDIATOR BETWEEN THE ARABS AND THE ISRAELIS IS PREPOSTEROUS. PREDICTABLY, PRO-MINTOFFIAN NEWSPAPERS RUSHED TO HIS DEFENSE, CRITICIZING ISRAEL'S "REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH UNGA RESOLUTIONS" AND BLAMING THE ISRAELIS FOR ALL OF THE PROBLEMS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. AS USUAL, MINTOFF, MALTA'S ONE-MAN FOREIGN OFFICE, DOES NOT APPEAR AT ALL CONCERNED BY THIS DOMESTIC OPPOSITION TO HIS BLATANTLY PRO-ARAB STANCE.

4. SINCE I HAVE DISCUSSED THIS SUBJECT SEVERAL TIMES WITH ABELA IN RECENT WEEKS, AND EMPHASIZED OUR STRONG VIEWS AS EXPRESSED IN STATEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT, THE SECRETARY, MOYNIHAN, AND GARMENT, I DO NOT THINK THAT A FURTHER SUPPORTIVE EFFORT WOULD BE HELPFUL UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED ABOVE. MINTOFF HAS OBVIOUSLY CAST HIS LOT WITH THE ARABS ON THIS QUESTION. SMITH

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